

Tennessee Health Link
Quality Metrics Tables and Thresholds

Core Metric	Description	Threshold
1. 7- and 30-day psychiatric hospital / RTF readmission rate	-	-
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 7- and 30-day psychiatric hospital / RTF readmission rate – 7 days 	Rate of psychiatric hospital or RTF readmissions within 7 days	≤5%
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 7- and 30-day psychiatric hospital / RTF readmission rate – 30 days 	Rate of psychiatric hospital or RTF readmissions within 30 days	≤15%
2. Antidepressant medication management (adults only)	-	-
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Antidepressant medication management (adults only) – Effective acute phase treatment 	Percentage of members who remained on an antidepressant medication for at least 84 days (12 weeks)	≥55%
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Antidepressant medication management (adults only) – Effective continuation phase treatment 	Percentage of members who remained on an antidepressant medication for at least 180 days (6 months)	≥40%
3. Follow-up after hospitalization for mental illness within 7 and 30 days	-	-
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Follow-up after hospitalization for mental illness within 7 and 30 days – within 7 days 	Percentage of discharges for mental health illness which the member received follow-up to within 7 days of discharge	≥60%
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Follow-up after hospitalization for mental illness within 7 and 30 days – within 30 days 	Percentage of discharges for mental health illness which the member received follow-up to within 30 days of discharge	≥75%
4. Initiation / engagement of alcohol & drug dependence treatment	-	-
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Initiation / engagement of alcohol & drug dependence treatment - Initiation 	Percentage of members who initiated treatment through an inpatient alcohol & drug admission, outpatient visit, intensive outpatient encounter, or partial hospitalization within 14 days of the diagnosis	≥45%
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Initiation / engagement of alcohol & drug dependence treatment - Engagement 	Percentage of members who initiated treatment and who had two or more additional services with a diagnosis of alcohol & drug dependence within 30 days of the initiation visit	≥15%
5. Use of multiple concurrent antipsychotics in	Percentage of children and adolescents 1-17 years of age who were on two or more concurrent antipsychotic medications (for	≤1%

children/adolescents – Total rate	at least 90 consecutive days during the measurement year)	
6. BMI and weight composite metric	-	-
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Adult BMI screening 	Percentage of members 18-74 years of age who had an outpatient visit and whose body mass index (BMI) was documented during the measurement year or the year prior to the measurement year	≥60%
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Weight assessment and nutritional counseling (children and adolescents only) – BMI percentile 	Percentage of members 3-17 years of age who had an outpatient visit with a PCP or OB/GYN and who had evidence of BMI percentile documentation during the measurement year	≥30%
7. Comprehensive diabetes care (Composite #1)	-	-
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Diabetes care: eye exam 	Percentage of members 18-75 years of age with diabetes (type 1 and type 2) who had an eye exam (retinal) performed	≥40%
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Diabetes care: BP <140/90 	Percentage of members 18-75 years of age with diabetes (type 1 and type 2) who had BP of <140/90 mm Hg	≥50%
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Diabetes care: nephropathy 	Percentage of members 18-75 years of age with diabetes (type 1 and type 2) who had medical attention for nephropathy	≥85%
8. Comprehensive diabetes care (Composite #2)	-	-
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Diabetes care: HbA1c testing 	Percentage of members 18-75 years of age with diabetes (type 1 and type 2) who had HbA1c testing	≥85%
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Diabetes care: HbA1c poor control (>9.0%) 	Percentage of members 18-75 years of age with diabetes (type 1 and type 2) with most recent HbA1c level during the measurement year greater than 9.0%	≤50%
9. EPSDT: Well-child visits ages 7-11 years	Percentage of members 7-11 years of age who had one or more well-child visits with a PCP during the measurement year	≥55%
10. EPSDT: Adolescent well-care visits age 12-21	Percentage of enrolled members 12-21 years of age who had at least one comprehensive well-care visit with a PCP or OB/GYN during the measurement year	≥45%